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SYNTHESIS OF CAMPTOTHECIN AND
RELATED COMPOUNDS AND
SYNTHESIS THEREOF**

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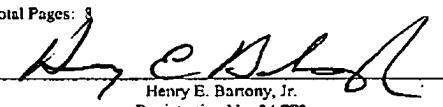
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In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the amendments set forth herein. The amendments find full support in the claims, specification and drawings as filed. A Petition for Extension (in duplicate) accompanies this Amendment, thereby extending the period for response up to and including November 15, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin upon page 4 of this Amendment.

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